

REMARKS

Rejection of claims 1-5, 7, 8, 10, 12-15 and 17

All of claims 1-5, 7, 8, 10, 12-15 and 17 have been cancelled herein in view of a continuation application that will be filed to further pursue these claims.

Objection to claims 6 and 16

Claims 6 and 16 have been amended herein to place these claims in proper independent form. As a result, claims 6 and 16 are now allowable.

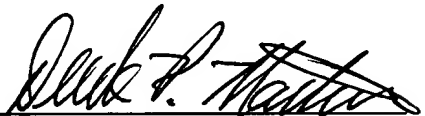
Allowance of claims 9 and 18

Claims 9 and 18 were allowed. Applicants thank the examiner for the allowance of these claims.

Conclusion

In summary, none of the cited prior art, either alone or in combination, teach, support, or suggest the unique combination of features in applicants' claims presently on file. Therefore, applicants respectfully assert that all of applicants' claims are allowable. Such allowance at an early date is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if this would in any way advance the prosecution of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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